

Ozark Valley Banner.

Thursday, February 27, 1879.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

—Reading room at BANNER office
—Several items crowded out this week.

—How it pinches his toes to mention Sunday work.

—Mark Leseem started to St. Louis last Monday.

—Our office was the rendezvous of many friends last Saturday.

—Items from the gold and silver regions in the West crowded out this week.

—Last Saturday was a somewhat of a game day. Men of maturity should be wiser.

—The mercantile business does not always run smooth, say more than does true love.

—The Sheriff and Collector furnish considerable reading matter for the BANNER this week.

—The Drummer Boy from Shilo, and Brumley Correspondence are crowded out this week.

—Mrs. Marion Stokes of Jefferson City was in town a few days last week, and gave us pleasant call.

—Paton Wilcox and E. Q. Jno. Bell gave us calls last Saturday, report times better in Glaze and Franklin.

—Dr. Bradlyford gives us the good news that Mrs. W. M. Lumpkins is recovering from a severe illness.

—The BANNER contains a large amount of new reading this issue, so much we have no had time to add a supplement.

—E. Q. John Ferguson Chf. Justice at Iberia, bound a gentleman over to keep his tongue chained from his wife.

—Mrs. James Ester and Henry Adcock called at our office last Friday, making the time pleasant while with us.

—There are many valuable tracts of land among that advertised by the Sheriff to be sold, in this issue of the BANNER.

—We return thanks to Mr. Ed L. Cummings' of Mexicville, Arizona, Ky., for copies of Arizone papers.

—E. Q. H. H. J. R. and Sterling Jenkins gave us calls last Saturday, and patronized BANNER, report health good in Jim Henry:

—Judge H. Reed, Wm. Livingston, from south Miller county gave BANNER office a call last Saturday—report times better—and farmers improving.

—Dr. G. W. Tremain and E. Q. W. E. Linton gave us a pleasant call last Saturday, giving job work and report times in their section improving.

—Mr. W. S. Brockman of Saline township has leased a tract of land from Mr. William Burris, near this place and will locate upon the first of next week.

—John Fogelman is happy as a big sunflower, he has escaped the epigaeas and is ready to wait on the public with the best of all kind of drinkables, at Kirks saloon.

—Mr. T. B. Robinson received a card from Dr. O. A. Bowman, dentist of California, saying he would be at this place on Wednesday, the 5th day of March, all who want dentistry can see the Dr. here at that time.

—Has the "Bear" been captured and made "Bare" and a Hungarian Ball, the "Vindictor" of Iapigetia's aspirations, let loose?

The "Sabbath" is certainly struggling for the surface.

—Mr. P. Kirkpatrick of this place deserves much credit for the many valuable improvements erected and the go ahead business he drives, call and see Kirk opposite BANNER office.

—We call attention of our readers to the new advertisement of the Anchor Mill, in another column. The Messrs. Hausestones are well and favorably known in this country, and commendations are necessary.

—If Rev. Josiah H. D. Tomson is so desirous of publishing advertisements for nothing, or pay 25 cents per copy for the privilege of getting them, he can copy a few from the BANNER, and save his 25 cents. Money saved is money made.

—J. C. Simpson, high constable of Saline township, gave us a call last Monday, patronized BANNER; reports that some 30 miles had been sold lately at fair prices, ranging from 65 to 125 dollars each, to male buyers, giving the people of Saline some 2500 dollars for circulation; in addition to the ordinary trade.

Who Hit Billy Patterson?
The above question has been asked, we presume thousands of times in the last several years; but no one has ever been able to determine.

Last Tuesday Prof. Tomson, who edits two or three "papers" "occasionally," and sometimes "semi occasionally," made a bold dash in our column and asked for the author of our Mr. Pleasant correspondent; we emphatically refused giving the author's name until we hear from him. This morning the bold and fearless Prof. again made another dash in our office, asking for the name of our correspondent, we again positively refused giving the name. But especially referred the Professor to the "Abilian," the "Pasha," Chief Justice James Johnston of Saline township; who is supposed to know all things.

We have later news by our telegraph that Dr. H. Bradlyford, an aged physician, who it is supposed waited on Billy; can tell something as to who the person was that struck Billy Patterson.

Eld. W. P. Dorsey preached at this place last Saturday evening, twice on Lord's day and Monday evening, having two audiences to the church—Mrs. Mary A. Pendleton and Mr. Moore.

Iberia Items.

—Fish of the greatest and quality are said to be in abundance in the Gasconade. A grand fishing excursion there is in contemplation.

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—"The thing without an end says the lowest bidder means Uncle Abe."—Vindicator.

—Tomson and Wright say their advertising rates, in advance:

One column one year \$60.
One half column \$40.
One fourth column \$25.
Professional cards \$5.

We have conducted a public journal going on four years and have charged,

One column one year \$40.
One half column \$25.
One fourth column \$15.

Professional cards according to amount of matter therein from four to eight dollars.

As a matter of course the lowest bidder in our Uncle Abe.

BRAND! BRAND! GIVE ME BEANS.

We Vindicate a Windy cause;

By all and every means;
But how can we further Vindicate,
Unless they'll give us beans.

Some may think we have the blues;

In place of needed brain;

But we can somehow Vindicate,
If they'll only give us beans.

We can't quite keep up wind enough,

You see it rather strains;

And we'll surely have to stop the thing
If we fail to get some beans.

There is things without an end you see,

And tough they are it seems;

We mean there is no end to wind,
When we are supplied with beans.

We see the dead, just had the ring,

We protest agai st such scenes;

We will thaw up Ted-pole paddle

As soon as we get some beans.

Buy leather hub'ls better look out;

But don't disturb our schemes,

If you would have us Wi-dicate,

Just send us down some beans.

Ozark River Improvement

In 29th General Assembly appropriated \$2,000 to improve Bolton Shore, there were near \$1,500 expended, doing good work at that point. There remains about \$200 of that appropriation unexpended, according to the act, the amount cannot be applied to any other part of the river. We most respectfully call the attention of the Representatives of the Osage Valley, now in session; to the absolute necessity of amending said act; so as to expend the \$200 in dredging, Big Tailor Island, Siline and Hoskins schutes, log and other debris lodged in the channel.

These are from four to seven feet of water in the main channel, where these logs and boulders of rock lie; boats and transports are forced to take the sides of these channels, where there is only from 18 to 24 inches of water. Gov. McClurg having his boat completely fitted and supplied with steam engine, derricks and grab hooks, could with a few hours delay at each of the above shoals draw out these logs and boulders of obstruction; now is the time to act, do it quickly, and let the hundreds of thousands of railroad ties go to market and return relief to the people.

Gov. McClurg will only charge for the actual time consumed in removing these obstructions.

Mr. Pleasant, Feb. 26th, 1879.

Ed. BANNER: Dear Sir—I seek your indulgence again in the way of a little space in your sheet to give some thoughts in regard to that old and perplexing question that has baffled the minds of quite a large number of the pugilistic order of minds for ages past. That is who it was that struck Billy Patterson. Now if the parties searching after that dark deed should blunder on to the man who struck Billy what will they do to avenge the horrible deed will they vindictor or punish the miscreant by pumping wind into or out of the scape goat, they will then have done a great deal for posterity by settling this wonderfully unsolved question. They will be entitled to the confidence and support of that class of beings who are denominates dirt eaters and will no doubt be delighted with the wonderful discovery made manifest even at this late day.

On those rock bound hills long may he stand,
A light to this benighted land.

And open his great bull-frog mouth.

To ward the world from North to South,

For saying Beans yes Beans and Peaches.

Ode to Billy Patterson and Purse:

Missa Axon.

PLEASANT MT. SCHOOL.

Hiley County, Mo.

THE SECOND TERM of 1878-79, will commence MONDAY, MARCH 10TH and continue

OUR MONTHS, under the charge of Harvey Skiville. A competent assistant will be employed for the primary department.

Dr. C. W. BURGESS ON'S CHAMBERS FILLS ARE UNPARLED EXPERTLY, cure

Sick Heads, Nervous Heads, Dyspepsia,

Neuritis, Nervousness, and

Simplesseas, and will cure any case. Price

50cts a box, 30 pills, powder free. Sold

by all druggists, Office, No. 100 N. State St.

Baltimore, Md.

THE LIBRARY MAGAZINE is what people of good literary taste have long been wanting. The neatest and handsomest in form of all the monthly, and very much the cheapest, it gives from the pens of the ablest living writers a choice variety of articles, both有趣 and entertaining. Number 2, just ready, contains articles by Gladstone, B. A. Proctor, Prof. Birkie, Bayar, Julia Kavanaugh, M. Monod, Canon Curtis, and other writers less known, but hardly less interesting. There are 128 pages, and the price is 10 cents a number or \$1. a year. AMERICAN BOOK EXCHANGE Publishers, 55 Beekman street, New York.

BOOKS TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.—An extensive catalogue of new shelf worn and second hand books in every department of literature, offered without reserve, to the highest bidder, will be issued March 19th by the AMERICAN BOOK EXCHANGE, 55 Beekman street, New York, and sent by mail to any one sending three cent stamp. Bids will be received only in writing, buyers at once and or three thousand miles away having an equal chance with those near at hand. The American Book Exchange is becoming famous for meeting the wants of people who care for books, and thousands will appreciate this new opportunity they give.

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